

The Crucible

Cast of Characters

REVEREND PARRIS: the minister of Salem, Massachusetts. The witch scare began with his daughter's mysterious illness.

BETTY PARRIS: Reverend Parris' daughter, one of the initial accusers.

TITUBA: the Parris family's Caribbean slave.

ABIGAIL WILLIAMS: Parris' niece and chief among the accusers. Formerly a servant in the Proctor household.

SUSANNA WALCOTT: accused of witchcraft.

MRS. ANN PUTNAM: a bitter woman who sides with the accusers.

THOMAS PUTNAM: her husband for whom the witch trials are a means of increasing his already considerable land holdings. An enemy of Reverend Parris.

MERCY LEWIS: the Putnam's' servant. One of the accusers.

MARY WARREN: the Proctors' servant. One of the accusers.

JOHN PROCTOR: a prominent landholder and farmer in the Salem community.

REBECCA NURSE: a prominent citizen of Salem, famous throughout Massachusetts for her virtue and charity.

GILES COREY: a prominent landholder in Salem.

REVEREND JOHN HALE: another minister—from Beverly, Massachusetts—famous for his study of witchcraft and witches.

ELIZABETH PROCTOR: John's wife.

FRANCIS NURSE: Rebecca's husband.

EZEKIEL CHEEVER: town constable.

MARSHAL HERRICK: town jailer.

JUDGE HATHORNE: the inflexible judge in the witch trials. A distant ancestor of Nathaniel Hawthorne.

DEPUTY GOVERNOR DANFORTH: the Deputy Governor of Massachusetts and presiding officer of the court.

SARAH GOOD: one of the condemned.

HOPKINS: a guard in the jail.